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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern:

I am writing you to comment on the proposed Final Judgement against Microsoft corporation. I am providing my comments in accodance with the Tunney Act.

I believe that the proposed Final Judgement is, in general, too lenient. In particular, I disagree with section III(J)(2), which allows Microsoft to decide with which parties to share information about certain APIs. I believe that this provision will allow Microsoft to hinder competition from small businesses, not-for-profits, and individuals, by refusing to disclose information about certain APIs. Furthermore, this provision would allow Microsoft to continue to abuse its monopoly position by impartially disclosing information about certain APIs. I urge you to amend the settlement to require Microsoft to make publicly known and to freely license the APIs covered by Section III(J)(2).

Please file my comments, and a response to them, with the court, as required by the Tunney Act.

Regards,

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